

Santa Barbara Groups Say Threatened Federal Block-Grant Program Fills Critical Needs

Local organizations and officeholders met to advocate for a HUD program slated for elimination in Trump budget



Santa Barbara Mayor Helene Schneider and Congressman Salud Carbajal were among local leaders speaking at a press conference Monday in Santa Barbara to emphasize the critical role Community Development Block Grants play locally. President Trump has proposed eliminating the program. (Sam Goldman / Noozhawk photo)

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The Trump administration's policies on issues such as climate change and immigration have received considerable push-back from local and state groups, but there's one White House proposal